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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Inventor(s): Hans Streubel and Uwe Plociennik

FOR: METHOD FOR CONTINUOUS CASTING OF SLAB, IN PARTICULAR, THIN SLAB,
AND A DEVICE FOR PERFORMING THE METHOD

ENCLOSED ARE:

- (X) Specification (12 pages), Claims (4 pages/9 claims) & Abstract;
- (Y) one (1) sheet of Drawing; (Figure 1)
- (X) Declaration and Power of Attorney; **UNSIGNED**
- () Assignment to SMS Demag AG
- () Certified copy of GermanPat.Appli.No: 199 56 577.5 filed Nov. 25, 1999
the priority of which is claimed under 35 USC 119;
- () Verified Statement to establish Small Entity Status (37 CFR 1.9 & 1.27);
- () Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and 3 references;

THE FILING FEE HAS BEEN CALCULATED AS SHOWN BELOW:

	Claims filed	Extra	SMALL ENTITY	or	LARGE ENTITY
Basic Fee			\$ 355.00		\$ 710.00
Total Claims	9	-20=	x \$ 9.=	x	\$ 18.=
Indep. Claims	2	- 3=	x \$ 40.=	x	\$ 80.=
() Multiple Dependent Claim Presented?			x \$135.=	x	\$270.=

Respectfully submitted

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